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SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP
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Skill Development Universities
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Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government contemplates to set up Skill Development Universities in different parts of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(c) whether the Government has any plan/target to provide skill development and training to youths of the country;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

(a) to (e) Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship had constituted a Working Group to explore the feasibility for setting up of National Skills Universities across the Country which can function as reputed national institutes responsible for aggregating skill development effort through implementation of a credible, aspirational and nationally acceptable skill training system. The Working Group submitted its report along with the draft Bill. The draft Bill is under inter-ministerial consultation.

Further, to enable and mobilize a large of Indian youth to take up outcome based skill training and earn their livelihood, the flagship scheme, 'Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY)' has been launched by the Government on 15th July, 2015. It is a skill certification and reward scheme where in trainees after their successful assessment and certification, get monetary reward through direct bank transfer to their account. The scheme has the target to benefit 24 lakh persons with training of 14 lakh fresh entrants and certification of 10 lakh persons under Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL). The National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC), the Public Private Partnership (PPP) entity is the implementing agency for PMKVY. As on 22nd February, 2016, 12.50 lakh candidates have been enrolled and 8.02 lakh persons trained in 9,314 training centres spread across the Country with coverage of 29 States and 6 Union Territories (UTs).